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MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED TO 41 MONTHS FOR SMUGGLING MARIJUANA

TUCSON – Jesus Manuel Torres-Martinez, 42, of Chihuahua, Mexico, was sentenced here to two 41-month terms of imprisonment, to be served concurrently, by U.S. Chief District Judge John M. Roll. Torres-Martinez had pleaded guilty on July 6, 2006 to Importation of Marijuana and Possession with Intent to Distribute Marijuana.

According to the Complaint and Indictment, on March 2, 2006, Torres-Martinez entered the United States at the Port of Entry at Douglas, Arizona from the Republic of Mexico. Torres-Martinez was driving a 1994 Dodge Ram pick-up truck that was found to contain approximately 133 kilograms of marijuana. The marijuana was concealed in a false floor in the cab of the truck and in the gas tank.

After serving his term of imprisonment, Chief Judge Roll ordered that Torres-Martinez serve a term of supervised release of 36 months.

The investigation in this case was conducted by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Customs and Border Protection. The prosecution was handled by Albert L. Kleiner, Assistant U.S. Attorney, District of Arizona, Tucson.

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